



The CHUCK BROWN MEMORIAL

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Chuck Brown, Washington DC's "Godfather of Go-Go," will be remembered with a new performing arts venue named in his honor in Langdon Park, Washington DC. The Memorial will serve as a communal space for visitors to celebrate and embrace his musical influence. It will be designed as an outdoor, open-air performance venue. Reminiscent of Roman structures, the venue will take the shape of an amphitheater with a semi-circular theatre space defined by rows of magnolia and cherry blossom trees to create a sense of intimacy. The amphitheater is designed to accommodate an audience of over 900 seated spectators, who will each have a direct, unobstructed view of the elevated stage.

The shell of the amphitheater will be constructed with warm wood accents and a stainless steel standing, seam metal roof, which will provide an intimate setting and connection to the audience during performances. The interior of the steel structure is a festive fuchsia-colored. There will be outdoor, instrumental drums for children to play, complemented with information profiling the history of Chuck Brown. The venue is designed to collect rainwater, leading to underground storage tanks to be used as irrigation for the surrounding magnolia and cherry blossom trees. A man-made hill, (needed due to the low elevation of the topography), will aid against flooding and maximize the surrounding acoustics.

Marshall Moya Design recently restored the interior of the historic Howard Theatre in Washington, DC, which re-opened in April 2012. The Howard Theatre is the iconic music venue where Chuck Brown performed countless go-go concerts for his fellow Washingtonians and fans.

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